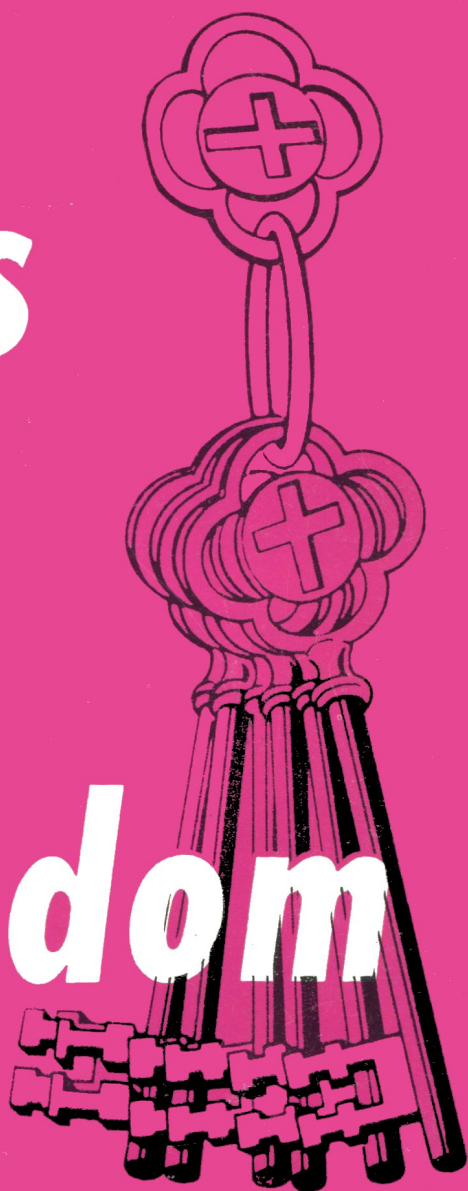


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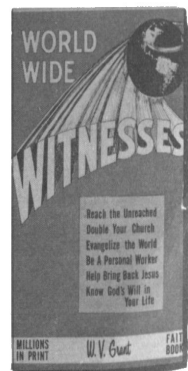
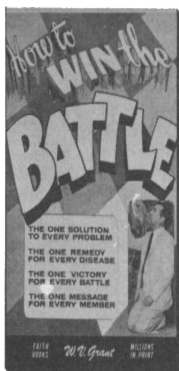
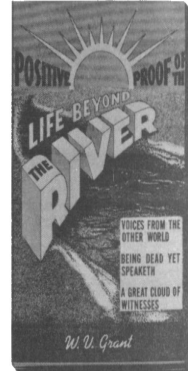
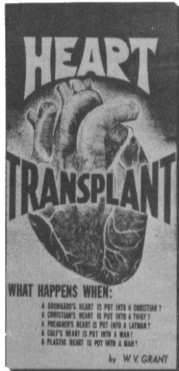
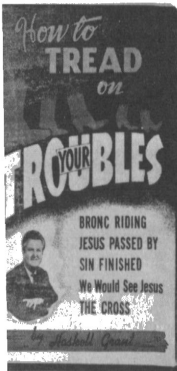
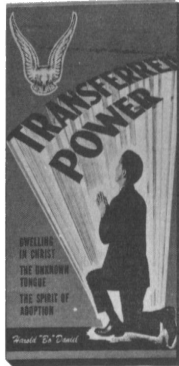
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1

The Keys to the Kingdom

A key is that which allows or hinders entrance or control—it is a pledge of authority.

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matt. 16:19)

Here it is made very plain that the keys of the kingdom of heaven is the power to bind and loose. Power to bind and loose what?

WE SEE THE RECORD OF THIS POWER IN ACTION IN THE LIFE OF JESUS. A woman had been bent over for eighteen years and she could in no wise lift herself up. Instead of Jesus saying that it was a blessing, or giving it a nice medical name, He said that Satan had bound the woman for eighteen years and she ought to be loosed because she was a daughter of Abraham. He bound the devil and loosed the woman.

OUR TEXT SAYS “WHATSOEVER” AND NOT “WHOMSOEVER.” Instead of some binding the devil and casting him out of people they bind the people and cast them out of the church. The members have the same devil in them after they are out, but they are so much harder to win and deliver.

Jesus is the door. If any man enters any other way he is a thief and a robber, (John 10:1-7) Jesus openeth and no man shutteth: and shutteth and no man openeth, (Revelation 3:7)

There is but one Church. Every one who has his name written in heaven belongs to that Church. Men are born into the Church by a spiritual birth (John 3:5). If one gets out he sins out (I John 5:16).

Of course every one should have a local home church AFTER he is already in the CHURCH. This church should be one that believes in

the Full Gospel and the power of God. “Taking them in” and “turning them out” of an organization has nothing to do with the kingdom of heaven. God has set the members in the Church as it has pleased Him, (I Cor. 12:18).

THE POWER TO BIND AND LOOSE ONLY OPERATES THROUGH THE ANOINTING OF THE HOLY GHOST. Jesus worked no miracles until after he was anointed with the Holy Ghost. Then He was anointed to set the captives free (Luke 4:18). He said if He went away and sent the Holy Ghost we could do likewise, (John 14:12).

Just as an electric iron will not work until it is connected to the electricity, the gifts of power will not operate through us until the Spirit anoints us for a special purpose.

Why didn't Peter lay hands on Simon and impart unto him the Holy Ghost as he did the rest of Phillip's converts? (Acts 8). Why didn't Elisha lay hands on Naaman and heal him? (II Kings 5). Why didn't Paul cast the devil out of the girl the day before he did? (Acts 16). Why didn't Peter and John say, “Arise and walk,” a few days before they did? (Acts 3). Why didn't Peter cast the devil out of Ananias and Sapphira? Or turn them out? (Acts 5). Because the Holy Ghost anointed otherwise.

Now we begin to understand what Jesus meant when He said, “... **Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained**” (John 20:22-23). Through the anointing we bind sin and loose the victim; and all heaven says. “Amen, let it be so.”

BUT TWO MUST AGREE TOGETHER IF THIS IS DONE THROUGH THE SPIRIT.

It is really God doing it through yielded instruments. As Jesus was speaking of the power to bind and loose He said, “ **... If two of you shall agree on earth as touching ANYTHING that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven,**” (Matthew 18:19). Man divided this into verses. Jesus put it all together.

Therefore, we cannot cast devils out of people against their will. Jesus respects one's will. He still says, “**Wilt thou be made whole?**”

It requires faith and obedience on the part of both God's minister and the victim.

GOD'S SERVANTS HAVE POWER THROUGH THE ANOINTING OF THE HOLY GHOST TO PUT ONE AWAY. Paul turned two men over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh because they refused to believe the message he preached, (I Timothy 1:20). He commanded the church to do the same thing. (I Corinthians 5). Peter practiced the same thing (Acts 5). Moses believed in this also. (Numbers 16) (12:10).

The Holy Spirit prayed through me not long back and said, "Lord, give us a revival at any cost." It cost a woman's life. She died calling upon the Lord. Her flesh was destroyed and her spirit was saved. The church doubled and God sent a revival!

THIS POWER IS USED MOST OF THE TIME IN A POSITIVE MANNER for people's deliverance instead of their destruction. Paul bound the devil and loosed the girl that told fortunes (Acts 16). Jesus bound the deaf and blind spirits and set the captives free. Hundreds of times as God has anointed me with the Holy Spirit I have bound the evil spirits of lust, murder, insanity, and suicide and set the people free. Many people will never be saved, filled with the Spirit, or healed, until they are first delivered from evil spirits.

GOD GAVE THIS AUTHORITY TO THE CHURCH—AND THE CHURCH IS STILL IN EXISTENCE. Miracles were set in the church after preachers and teachers were, (I Corinthians 12:28). Jesus was speaking to His disciples when He gave them the power to bind and loose, (Matthew 18:18). He said, **"If two will agree together."** Stephen, Phillip, and Ananias were not Apostles; God used them to work miracles. James who wrote the book of James was not an Apostle, (James 5:14). Jesus gave this power to the Apostles and told them to teach all believers to observe all things He had commanded them to do, and He would be with them to the end of the world. (Matt. 28:19-20).

PETER CLAIMED NO MORE POWER THAN THE OTHER APOSTLES. At the council at Jerusalem Peter confessed, **"And God, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as He did unto us. And put no difference between us and them ..."** Acts 15:8-9). If he were alive

today he would say the same. He said, “... **of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons...**” (Acts 10:34). Peter only claimed to be an elder and an Apostle (I Peter 1:1, 5:11). It was hard for him to understand some of Paul’s writings (II Peter 3:16). Paul withstood Peter to the face because he was to be blamed. (Galatians 2:11-15). It seemed that Paul had more authority. At least Peter was not infallible. Peter had a wife, (Matthew 2:11-15). It seemed that James presided over the council at Jerusalem, (Acts 15:19).

Peter did not have the keys to death and hell. No man has the power to change one’s destination after he is dead. (Ecclesiastes 11:3 and Hebrews 9:27.) Jesus alone has the keys to death and hell. (Revelation 1:18.)

JESUS SAID “**I WILL GIVE,**” SHOWING THAT HE WOULD GIVE THE KEYS AT FUTURE DATE. He commanded them to tarry until they be endued with power from on high. He said they would receive power after the Holy Ghost came upon them. On the day of Pentecost the Holy Ghost came on them and anointed them with power. From then on they could bind the devil and loose the people.

The Holy Spirit moved upon certain chosen vessels, for certain special purposes, in the church in the wilderness. In the New Testament Church the Holy Spirit moves from within, Spirit-filled Saints, using whosoever will prepare themselves.

JESUS GAVE THEM THE “KEYS.” (KEYS IN THE PLURAL.) Sometimes it takes more than one key to go in and bind the strong man and cast him out. (Matthew 12:29.)

Picture a banker walking down the street with a ring of keys. He puts one into a door and goes into the lobby. He is out of the sunshine or rain; but yet he needs to go on in farther. He puts another key into a door and gets into another part of the bank. There is a little “change” and some promises written down, but yet he has to have another key to reach his treasure—maybe several keys.

My message on this subject is, there are several keys that we may use.

Key Number One—Compassion

I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE DEAF AND DUMB BOY THAT WAS DELIVERED. His mother had to handle him all his life just like he was a baby. The evil spirit in him took him, tore him, causing him to gnash with his teeth and foam at the mouth. This spirit would throw him into the fire and into the water, trying to kill him. Then the boy would suddenly cry out as the evil spirit vexed him. The evil spirit would bruise him terribly and depart from him for a season, leaving his flesh torn and bleeding. As Jesus came on the scene the evil spirit caused the boy to cry out; and then the boy fell wallowing and foaming at the mouth until the people thought he was dead. The father of the boy cried out: **“Have compassion on us.”** And Jesus healed the boy completely. (Mark 9:23.)

I KNOW NOW WHY JESUS SAVES AND HEALS PEOPLE. It is because he is moved with compassion. Many modern ministers try to figure out why Jesus healed folk. They say it is to show His power, confirm His Word, or prove the resurrection; but now I know He was moved with compassion.

A leper went to his knees one day and asked Jesus to make him clean. **“And Jesus moved with COMPASSION, put forth His hand, and touched him and saith unto him: “I will, be thou clean.”** (Mark 1:41.)

Jesus healed because He was moved with compassion; and He is yet a compassionate Christ, for He is the same today. (Hebrews 13:8.)

I THINK I HAVE LEARNED THE MEANING OF COMPASSION. A few times in my life the compassion of Christ gripped my soul and I did not know what to call it. Then I saw in Crudens Concordance that the Bible meaning of compassion is literally suffering with another. And that is what Jesus did on several occasions.

Moses had the compassion of Christ when he was praying for the people. He cried, **“Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sins: and if not, blot me, I pray thee out of the book which thou hast written.”** (Exodus 32: 32). He was willing to take their place.

Abraham must have felt the same compassion as he interceded for his nephew. Paul was dead to self, and alive to Christ, when he said, **“For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren.”** (Romans 9:3).

THIS COMPASSION IS PURELY OF GRACE, NOT OF OURSELVES. It is definitely the gift of God. God drops the compassion of Christ into our heart, soul, and spirit as we get into the right attitude.

We cannot be moved with the compassion of Christ at anytime, any more than we can see a vision, have a dream, discern spirits, interpret, work miracles, or prophesy at will. If we try all night, we might have mere human compassion, but not divine compassion. We don't use God; but He uses us.

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS A MAN WHO FOOLED WITH SIN UNTIL HE BECAME POSSESSED WITH AN UNCLEAN SPIRIT. He would break out every time they put him in jail. They even tried to bind him with chains, but somehow he broke the chains and escaped.

After they locked him outside the city walls he stayed in the mountains, with the wild beasts, and slept in the graveyard. He would cut himself with sharp rocks until his body was bleeding!

Jesus cast the devils out of that man, saved and healed him, and said, **“Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had *compassion* on thee.”** (Mark 5:19).

I PRAYED FOR A MAN WHO HAD EPILEPTIC SPELLS FOR YEARS. But not one thing happened! The doctors gave him up; his people gave him up; but God had not given him up! Now prayer had failed.

Then as I waited upon the Lord, this compassion, through God's great grace, took hold of my soul. It was from heaven and it was

almost tearing out my heart. At first I thought that I could not stand it. Then I got willing to bear it, even if I died; just so this man was set free. Then “click,” the burden lifted suddenly.

My spirit was free! My heart was light! My soul was praising God! I got a blessing; I was so happy! As I looked around that man was saved, filled with the Holy Spirit and healed. After several years he is still well!

I didn’t touch him. What happened? Christ did it as God put His compassion into my soul. It was not me. God simply gave to me the key, and let me unlock the prison and turn loose the captive!

CHRIST FORGIVES OUR SINS BECAUSE HE IS MOVED WITH COMPASSION.

One time a boy got tired and disgusted with life. Thinking he was not getting a square deal, he asked for all his belongings, and started off to seek his fortune. Like hundreds of others, he got in with the wrong gang of boys, spent all he had, and finally ended up broke. He got a job taking care of sheep, and then got so hungry he was willing to eat with the hogs.

Then he got homesick one day and thought about dad and home. He started the long road back after he saw his mistake.

“But when he was a great way off, his father saw him, and had COMPASSION, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.” (Luke 15).

Jesus only compares that human compassion to the way He forgives His prodigal children.

BUT THE COMPASSION OF CHRIST EXCEEDS THE COMPASSION OF A FATHER OR MOTHER.

“Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she will not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yea, they may forget, yet will not I forget thee.” (Isaiah 49:15).

I was told that some men were working the road when they lit the fuse to some dynamite. It was about time for the explosion when a two-year-old child headed right for the spot!

The men yelled for the child to come back but the mother of the

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child, instead of yelling, ran to the place, picked up the child, and quickly leaped to safety! The men had mercy and kindness; but the woman had compassion!

CHRIST'S COMPASSION EXCEEDS THAT OF A MOTHER. He gave His life for us. He took our place.

While I was pastoring a church a backslider who was dying with heart trouble knelt at the altar; but we failed to get anywhere in prayer.

As I waited before God it seemed that I could see the man dying in sin! My heart swelled with the compassion which God suddenly put there. The man suddenly was saved, healed, and is yet living after several years!

A few weeks ago God told me to go by Fort Worth, Texas. That night in the service a woman was brought into the service on a bed. I didn't pray. But I knelt down with my back to her. It seemed that my heart would pull right out of my body as the compassion from heaven cried through me. When I looked around the woman, who was dying with cancer, was up walking the floor. We got news later that she was healed completely!

God, through His tender mercy, dropped that divine compassion into my soul. He simply gave to me the key which unlocked the doors and let the woman go!

It was Christ in me. I don't always have that. Sometimes others have it. But I wish we all, more often could stay in the Spirit of Christ, where God could give us this key of compassion.



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Key Number Two—Faith

GOD LET GIDEON LISTEN IN ON THE CAMP OF THE MIDIANITES, IN ADVANCE. He heard one man tell his dream about the big barley cake rolling down and smashing their camp. Just then Gideon had the assurance from God that the battle was as good as won. He had the answer!

GOD LET ME TUNE IN ON A SERVICE IN ADVANCE. I saw in a vision a woman who had been bedfast for six years, receive her healing. In a few nights I saw them bring that very lady in on a stretcher during service. I arose and told her that God had healed her. She couldn't even move a muscle; but she tried her best, and God did the rest! She is still well after eighteen months. I merely used the key God had given me.

ABRAHAM LOOKED FAR AHEAD AND EMBRACED THE PROMISES OF GOD AND COUNTED THOSE THINGS THAT BE NOT AS THOUGH THEY WERE. He was counted the father of the faithful. When he said, "God has given me a son," he was only saying what God said. For God had said, "I have given you a son." In God's mind it was settled. God had given him a son; although he did not see what God had given him for a few years.

GOD SHOWED ME IN A DREAM A MAN WHO COULDN'T WALK. That night at church I simply asked if there was a man there of that description. He held up his hand and I went over and threw away his crutches. He tried to walk; and he could! He went to work the next day. I simply turned the key which God had given me.

JOSHUA HELD THE KEY TO A WHOLE CITY. It was left up to him to use that key. God had said to him, "**I have given you the city.**" He simply went around the city saying what God had told him, "God has given us the city." It was not wrong to say what God said! He actually had a title deed to the city.

If you had a deed to a farm you could sell that farm before you saw it. You would have the key. Joshua turned the key and the walls fell!

THE OTHER NIGHT IN OUR PRESENT REVIVAL THE REVIVAL SEEMED SHUT UP TIGHT. But just before I awoke the next morning God let me tune in on the service for that night. I saw everyone with their hands up praising God for the victory. All I did was to go to the tent that night and get everyone to do as I saw in the dream. There was the victory—people were saved, filled with the Spirit, and healed. I unlocked the service with the key which God had given to me.

JESUS SLEPT DURING THE STORM BECAUSE HE HAD ALREADY HEARD FROM HEAVEN. Before they started across the sea He said they were going to the other side.

The disciples were afraid that they were going to drown because they did not have the victory in their souls, and had only sight by which to go.

GOD QUICKENED A VERSE OF SCRIPTURE TO ME WHICH MADE ME CALM. I worried, fretted, prayed, fasted, and tried to get my healing for weeks the time I was so desperately ill, but I got no better, but worse. Then as I opened the Bible a verse seemed to leap up into my face: **“Himself took our infirmities and bare our sickness.”** The assurance came into my heart that it was done that second. The key was turned. I scarcely noticed, and cared less, just when all the symptoms left.

PETER HELD THE KEY TO THE PRISON IN WHICH HE WAS SLEEPING. That was the reason that he could sleep just a little while before they were to cut off his head. He was not praying, fretting, or worrying, but he was resting.

At one time he had fretted, worried, and feared while Jesus was resting in the midst of the storm on the sea, but he had received the Holy Ghost since then. Now he could sleep because he had the assurance. HE HAD HEARD FROM HEAVEN. He knew the answer had already come. He unlocked that prison with that key and walked out!

THE OTHER DAY AS I WAITED ON THE LORD HE GAVE

ME A VISION. I heard the congregation in the tent singing the song, “Every Promise in the Book Is Mine.” Some fighters had published a paid advertisement in the paper saying that part of the Bible was not for us. That night at service I simply had the congregation to sing that song about a dozen times. Many were saved and filled, and scores healed of many diseases. The service was unlocked. The Kingdom is within us. THE WORD OF GOD IS ETERNAL. IT IS JUST AS TRUE NOW AS IT WAS ONE THOUSAND YEARS AGO. Nearly a thousand years before Calvary Isaiah declared under inspiration, **“With His stripes we are healed.”** Men had their sins forgiven and healed in those days by the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. They looked forward to Calvary just as we look backward to the cross. It was settled in God’s mind!

ONE NIGHT THIS WEEK THE SPIRIT OF GOD SHOWED ME A CANCER IN SOMEONE’S THROAT. In the service that night I asked if there were someone there with cancer of the throat. He came forward; but God healed him before he got to me. He has returned about every night since and testified to his healing. I simply turned the key and connected his faith with heaven.

THE BONES WERE DECAYED IN MY LEGS ABOUT 26 YEARS. Other people who had the same disease are in their graves now. But I have two well legs. As I was prayed for God gave me the answer. I received the answer in my soul. I was made to know that the roots of the affliction was cursed just as the roots of the fig tree, although it looked no different from the outside. Within a few months the legs healed from the inside. After 10 years I am still well! The key worked!

AN ANGEL STOOD BY PAUL AND GAVE HIM THE ASSURANCE THAT THE JOURNEY WOULD BE SAFE. Just then he had the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. He said, **“Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.”**

JOHN LANE IN WACO, TEXAS, WAS HEALED INSTANTLY. He had a total deaf ear, a total blind eye, and his left side was paralyzed. He threw away his crutch. He got saved for the first time in life and filled with the Holy Ghost at the same time, although he was

past ninety. He was made normal every way.

There is a story behind that. His wife, whom he had persecuted for many years prayed through for him before she died. She received the answer and shouted all over the place. Her prayers were answered after she had gone to glory! She held fast the key God had given her.

PETER REJOICED WITH JOY UNSPEAKABLE AND FULL OF GLORY BEFORE HE SAW. God says while we are yet speaking He hears us; before we call He will answer. This week, in the middle of a severe rainstorm and high winds, I was praying for our big tent, which we were about to lose. Then the Spirit of God spoke to me, "Peace Be Still." I knew what it meant and worried no more about it, although the other men were afraid that the tent was going to go at anytime. In a few minutes the storm ceased! There was a great calm as the sun shone out! Oh, that we would use the KEY OF FAITH which God has put at our finger tips!

GOD COMMANDS US TO HAVE THE FAITH OF GOD. (Mark 11:22). He said that the disciples could do the same works that He did to the tree. This is called the gift of faith in I Corinthians 12. It is given to the Church, and we are the Church. Many people stop praying just a few minutes too soon. We need to pray until we pray through, and God drops the answer in our soul before we go to Church. Then we can do as the Apostles. They carried the answer with them to church. They only spoke the word and things were done. They did not have to pray. (Acts 3). Jesus said we can have whatever we say, instead of whatever we pray. (Mark 11:23). If you pray until God quickens one verse to you, He will say something like this: **"I am the Lord that healeth thee."** (Exodus 15:26). Then just turn the key, that is now near your finger tips, by saying, "Lord, it is the truth."

Key Number Three—Discerning of Spirits

THERE IS A REASON WHY MANY PEOPLE LEAVE THE PRAYER ROOM BEFORE THEY ARE SET FREE.

The other night a very prominent young lady came to the altar to get saved. After she stayed just a few moments she started to leave.

“Did you get what you came for?” I asked.

“There is no use in my trying,” she answered, “I can’t live it. I have tried for years and I can’t live it. I can’t feel anything; I just can’t get saved any more.”

I take a stand that there is always a reason people talk this way. I am very much concerned about the hundreds that leave our altars every year with this excuse, never to return; in spite of the thousands who are delivered.

Just then, by God’s grace, I was made to know her trouble.

“Lady, do you remember one night a few years back—about eleven years—you were bound by a lust demon? You have never been the same since. You can be set free from that thing that is gradually destroying your life. In five minutes from now you can be saved, filled with the Spirit, delivered from that lust demon, and become a worker for God.”

On hearing that, she denied it, and hit for the door. As she left out she said that she would never return. But I sent someone after her. I gave orders for her to be brought back someway.

As they brought her back I assured her again that she could be delivered in five minutes.

“How did you know about what you told me?” she asked. “Did God show you that?”

I assured her that He did; and as I prayed for her she was saved,

filled with the Spirit, and delivered from that lust devil, within about three minutes. That was something with which she had been wrestling for about eleven years.

The very fact that she knew that God showed me what had her bound, caused her faith to rise to the place so she could believe for deliverance. One manifestation of the Spirit of God did more than what teaching, instruction, or methods could do in one hundred years!

Then I thought of the millions of others who will never be saved, or filled with the Spirit until they are delivered from spirits. And we will never even try to set them free until we are **MADE TO KNOW** that they are bound. Oh, for more power to **DISCERN THE SPIRITS** which have taken captive so many hundreds of people who come to our prayer rooms! There are many who are delivered; but how about those who are slipping through our fingers and we do not **detect what is wrong with them?**

Peter Discerned What Philip Had Overlooked

It was wonderful when God gave Philip that marvelous outpouring of the Spirit down in Samaria. Simon believed and was baptized with many others. It seemed that Evangelist Philip did not even notice the difference in Simon and the others who professed. Maybe he was feeling good over catching a “big fish.” For Simon was an outstanding man with a good reputation. He had given out that he was some great one. To him they all gave heed. To him they had regard.

Had it not been for the revelation which God gave unto Peter, that man Simon might have been taken into the church on profession of faith, and perhaps become a deacon or Sunday School superintendent. Does not the Bible say that he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved? Millions are taken into the church on this profession. Ministers use this verse (Mark 16:16) to prove the members are converted.

Why didn’t Peter lay hands on Simon for him to receive the Holy Ghost as he did the rest of the people? Many of us would have tried to get him “filled first,” for he was a man of reputation. Think of Philip catching Peter by the arm and carrying him across the audience to Simon, and saying, “Here is the leader of this whole community. Get

him through to the Holy Ghost. He is worth dozens of others.”

But God did not anoint Peter to lay hands on Simon for him to receive the Holy Ghost. He anointed him with another gift instead. Peter was given a different key that time—a key that unlocked the storehouse of knowledge, to let him know what was in the spirit world. He looked into Simon’s heart and began to speak.

“... thy heart is not right in the sight of God. Repent ... thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity....” (Acts 8:21-23).

What was the difference in Simon and the other believers? Simon believed not with his heart; for his heart was not right.

The reason thousands of people today do not receive the Holy Spirit is that they need to repent first. What a difference the gift of DISCERNING OF SPIRITS would make in their lives!

“... repent and be baptized everyone of you in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” (Acts 2:38).

The devil has more salvation than some people who have believed and been baptized.

“... the devils also believe and tremble.” (James 2:19).

Like thousands of members today Simon believed with his mind.

“For with the heart man believes unto righteousness.” (Romans 10:10).

THOUSANDS NEED DELIVERANCE FROM EVIL SPIRITS
SO THEY CAN LIVE FOR GOD.

The other day a worker came to get me to help him pray for a man to get saved. As I went into the prayer room he was down beside him reading him a verse from the Bible. As he would finish reading him a verse he would ask him if he believed it. By this method he “proved” to him that he was saved.

But the man looked no different and I did not feel right about him. Too many people try to educate someone into heaven by memorizing some Bible verses.

God revealed to me that this man had a lust demon in him. The battle began as God anointed me with the Holy Spirit to see what was in this man.

As plain as day we got the victory. He was delivered from that lust demon. We felt it as it left. But still my spirit was not entirely free.

“Confess that you are a dirty drunkard,” I cried, “You dirty drunken devil, come out.”

When he confessed, God delivered him. We shouted! He testified that he was free and saved!

But about that time I grabbed him again.

“You are a lying and a thieving devil.” I talked to another spirit in this man. Within myself I would have never said this.

It was a little hard for him to confess this. But he came clean and told how he had stolen money from his boss and cheated the government. And he had even lied about it.

As he started to confess he fell backwards and the devil tried to choke him to death. It even looked like he was gone. He struggled, gasped, and choked. God anointed us for the battle! Finally, as it left him he was relaxed. The storm was over. There was a great calm. Our spirits were free! He went home to his wife and family to make a good husband.

How many times have we pronounced people free and let them go! How many times have we complained and blamed them for returning back to their same old **“wallowing in the mire,”** when we are, at least partly to blame for not praying until God gives us discerning of spirits, for hurrying off home and telling them to come back “tomorrow night,” because we did not tarry in God’s presence until we got out of the natural and received a revelation of what they needed, until we received a key which helped us unlock the door to know good and evil spirits.

... to another discerning of spirits. (I Corinthians 12:10).

Key Number Four—Divine Healing

I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT A NOBLEMAN AND HIS FAMILY WHO WERE WON TO THE LORD.

This Nobleman went from Capernaum up into Galilee to ask the young Prophet, Jesus, to heal his son who was near death's door. Jesus told him to go his way, for his son was all right. The Nobleman believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went toward home, a journey of several miles.

On his way down into his own country he met his servants, who told him that the fever had left his son at seven o'clock the day before. Checking the time, they found the fever had left at the very time that Jesus had spoken the word.

... and himself believed and his whole house. (John 5-3).

Jesus used the key of divine healing and let this man step into the Kingdom, with his whole family. Possibly nothing else would have lifted his faith to this point.

How important it is to use the right key; and how much time is wasted when one is trying to use the wrong key at certain times!

HEALINGS ARE USED TO BRING PEOPLE TO GOD.

When God begins to perform some outstanding healings in our revivals we see hundreds turn to God for salvation. This simply brings their faith up to the place so they can receive what they have already been longing for; but doubted that they could receive it.

I think I shall never forget one night when I walked back and asked a lady to come and get saved. She told me to speak in the other ear; for she could not hear anything I was saying.

Just then God told me to pray that that ear would be healed. God opened it so she could hear perfectly. This caused her faith to come

alive for her salvation. Even before she left that seat she was saved, filled with the Spirit, and testified to others! That was the only key that would fit the situation at that time to bring her into the Kingdom.

PETER WAS GIVEN THIS KEY MANY TIMES IN HIS EVANGELISTIC WORK.

A few months after he had left Philip's revival, he was going throughout "all quarters" with the Gospel of the Kingdom, when he visited the saints at Lydda, where he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedfast for eight long years. Picture him sick of the palsy.

Evidently Peter had prayed through before he left his camp that morning. Without praying, he simply commanded Aeneas to get up and make up his bed. And the man believed the words spoken to him! He got up and went his way, made whole by the Power of God.

And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord. (Acts 9:35).

In this case Peter used the key of divine healing and unlocked the Kingdom of God and turned in the two cities.

God has servants today who are going into the mission fields, who are seeing greater things than these, even after Bible Schools from many denominations have exhausted their efforts and spent years of time and millions of dollars. Some of these meetings bring more results in one day than the missionaries have seen in many years; all because they have done it the New Testament way, using what has been rightly called the **master key of divine healing**.

SICKNESS WILL MAKE PEOPLE DOUBT GOD'S WORD, LOVE, AND MERCY.

We had a hard time getting started off in our present revival. We struggled for a week, with just a few getting saved each night. Then Saturday night an Indian lady was brought into our healing services for prayer.

God told me to kick her crutches from under her, which is a very dangerous thing to do in the natural; for she weighed over 290 pounds. I obeyed God and she didn't fall! But she was afraid to try to walk. We prayed again and she could walk—without crutches— for the first time

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in sixteen years! Her crutches are yet at the tent. Night after night she has returned to tell how she has worked all day, for the first time in years!

Some people are made to believe that they are suffering to bring their loved ones to God. But sixteen years of suffering was a fair trial in her case. Many of her loved ones had died in sin, doubting God's love.

But what happened when she was healed? The large prayer tent filled up with people coming to surrender to God! Hundreds of lives are changed already in this meeting. Her neighbors, who had been wanting to be set free from sin and bondage, but somehow felt that God was away off in heaven somewhere and indifferent to their needs, now recognized Him under the big tent with us, concerned about our every problem, anxious to save and heal.

The Kingdom of God was unlocked and they walked in.

I KNOW THE WAY PEOPLE FEEL BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN IN THEIR PLACE.

At one time I felt that this was a dark old world, indifferent to all the cries of suffering humanity. Then I came in contact with a band of happy people who had been given the key of divine healing.

After I witnessed my mother and others being healed of incurable diseases my faith began to rise.

After suffering nineteen years my hopes were banished, my ambitions were crumbled, and my future was blighted.

Then my eyes fell upon a promise:

If thou wilt diligently harken to the voice of the Lord thy God ... I will put none of these diseases upon thee ... for I am the Lord that healeth thee.

I made a covenant with the Lord that very day. Within six months I gained forty pounds. He has kept His covenant now over twenty years, and will continue to do so as long as I keep my side of it. Glory to God!

Had I been taught that God put sickness on His children, and He

was not concerned about our suffering, that His mercy did not endure forever, I would have not had any desire to live for a God like that. But since I know that He is touched with the feelings of our infirmities, that He will not withhold any good thing from them that walk uprightly, that His Truth endures to all generations, this made me want to serve and obey a covenant-keeping, kind, Heavenly Father. Yes, it makes me want to tell the world of His love, mercy, and compassion; to carry the key of divine healing to the multitudes all over the world; to unlock the Kingdom and turn in the thousands of hungry souls who are waiting for help!

Healing Is a Doorstep to Salvation for Thousands

Not long ago, just as I started to preach to an auditorium packed full of anxious people, God told me to pray for a few sick folk.

An ex-soldier came forward and was prayed for. God made him to hear a whisper with an ear which was gone. The doctors said the ear drum had been taken out. It is a matter of record in the U.S. Government hospital. The physicians said that he would never hear with that ear.

When the audience saw that he could hear a whisper a spirit of conviction settled down upon them. They admired a God that was near at hand, and not a God afar off. Many of them had been wanting to be saved all the time; but wondered how. But now they believed that the God who had healed that man would also save them. Scores rushed into the prayer room seeking God for salvation. The books in heaven alone will reveal the number who were born into the Kingdom. The key had unlocked the Kingdom for them!

What need did we have for preaching that night? People have heard about what Jesus did nineteen hundred years ago. They want to know about a Jesus who is alive today. That night they had learned that He **“is not the God of the dead, but a God of the living.”**

Key Number Five—Holy Ghost Praying

IT IS NOT BY POWER OR BY MIGHT BUT BY THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD.

The Rabbis spent hours explaining the traditions of the elders. The Scribes and Pharisees spent years of study. But the Apostles, who were trained by Jesus in the school of prayer, gave a few illustrations, drawing crowds, and delivering humanity.

Surely Jesus and the Apostles did not give themselves over to long, drawn-out sermons in each church service. We don't believe they specialized in being orators. They were looking for results; and they saw it!

Where have we missed it in our churches? We are doing a good work; but where is the Lord God of the New Testament saints?

Paul did not know what he should pray for as he ought; but he let the Holy Spirit, who knew the mind of God, as well as Paul's needs, explain all things to the Heavenly Father. In this way he knew that all things were working together for good, (Romans 8:26- 28).

Even when his understanding was unfruitful, he edified himself by getting alone and letting the Holy Spirit pray through him, (I Corinthians 14:14-19). Then he could edify the church when he came to service. A worker must first get edified before he edifies the church.

Many times all he had to say when he got to church was “... **stand upright on thy feet,**” (Acts 14:10). The lame would walk! That was the Gospel in action! That was an object lesson. People learned through the eye gate! That was worth millions of sermons only telling what Jesus used to do in years gone by. That was the living Gospel!

Holy Ghost Praying Builds Our Faith

Mere praying is not the key to the Kingdom. Our praying fails

many times because we want to consume it upon our own lusts (James 4:3). But the Holy Spirit will never ask amiss. He always prays through us according to the will of God, (Romans 8:26).

The other night in the revival I didn't have a sermon. Instead of getting one off "cold storage" I simply got alone and let the Holy Spirit pray through me until God answered.

As I went before the audience I was not afraid. I was lost in God! I spoke with authority, for Jesus was standing by my side. Miracle after miracle took place. The deaf heard, the dumb spake, the lame walked! Without any preaching I made the altar call and the big prayer tent overflowed with hungry people surrendering to Jesus.

That is preaching the Gospel in action. That is the demonstration of the power of God! It was teaching by doing. Jesus began to do and teach. And thank God He has not finished His work! But He is in our midst night after night. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever!

Peter Did Not Get to Finish His Sermon

As he opened his mouth and began to preach to the people the Gospel, they took notice that he had been with Jesus!

He had been lying flat of his back on the house top looking into heaven. God had just shown him something as the Holy Spirit prayed through him. It was fresh from heaven! He preached like a man from another world. He didn't need to tell them what he had read about some "flaming evangelist" forty years before, or how the revival swept some country a century back. He didn't need to get a sermon from a sermon book.

I don't think he cared when his sermon was broken up, as the people all began to speak at once. He had reached his goal; what was the use in preaching the power away? (Acts 10).

That is the kind of service we need in our churches today. Then we will not worry about our members running off to another church, nor be afraid another preacher is going to get our church. Our sheep will be fed and be contented to stay at home. We'll have more calls than we can fill!

People are crying for a preacher who is educated, good looking, spiritual, reserved, a good mixer, a good separator, and with a charming personality. After three months they feel that they can help things by changing preachers.

If both the preachers and the members will hide away until the Holy Spirit lays a prayer on their soul; if they will pray until they **pray through**, all these problems will be solved. They will unlock the Kingdom of heaven with the KEY OF HOLY GHOST PRAYING and turn in thirsty and starving souls! God help us!

It Does Not Take Many People to Touch Heaven

One person and God are more than a match for the devil. God and one is a majority!

Ananias was praying alone when God spoke to him and let him know that he had prayed through for Paul, who had been blind and without sight for three days. Ananias let the Spirit work out God's will through Him.

Jesus was praying alone all night just before He chose His twelve Apostles. John was praying alone on Patmos when he changed church history different to what it would have been.

GOD TAUGHT ME JUST AFTER I WAS SAVED.

About twenty years ago I went with a preacher to hold a revival. The church was dirty and dry. I lived with the preacher and several of his children in an old out house in the country where the goats had been sleeping. The preacher's wife fell through the floor. We carried water for about a quarter of a mile and took a bath in a pan.

I went far into the woods one hot day alone. I was going to pray a little. But I lay on my stomach crying and groaning for about six hours. I did not do it; but the Holy Spirit, like a mighty gushing stream of water was interceding through me.

Jesus did the same thing in the days of His flesh (Hebrews 5:7).

God had been looking for a man to stand in the gap, make up the hedge, and be an intercessor. He had found one. (Ezekiel 22:20).

Keys of the Kingdom

I wasn't much; but I was a man. I was a young convert, but I was a man! I was only a few days from the plow handles; but I was a man! I didn't know a lot; but I was a man. I had the Holy Spirit. I was willing to be an intercessor. And God was looking for a man!

As I lay there it seemed that my heart would tear out, and I would die there in the woods! The thought came to me that no one would ever know where I was. But as I became willing I heard the Holy Spirit praying through me for things I did not know how to utter.

I didn't know what I was praying for. My understanding was unfruitful (I Corinthians 14:14), (Romans 8:26). Yet I yielded to the Spirit.

But that night I knew. The next day I knew! The next three weeks I knew what I had prayed for! I had unlocked the Kingdom with the KEY OF HOLY GHOST PRAYING; and crowds of people were turned into the Kingdom of God.

Hundreds of times since that day we have seen souls turned into the Kingdom of God because of Holy Ghost praying. Problem after problem has been solved because we were simply an open channel for the Holy Spirit to work through, as a hydrant is for water.

When my mother did not know what she should pray for; when her understanding was unfruitful; when she did not know where I was, she let the Holy Ghost pray through her and bring God's will to pass in my life. She opened the windows of heaven with Holy Ghost praying. God poured out His blessings. The door flew open and I walked into the kingdom.

And every mother needs this key. Every father needs to be so full of the Holy Spirit that the Spirit could intercede through him at anytime. Every teenager and every school child can have this key that unlocks heaven and turns souls into the Kingdom!—Holy Ghost praying!

Key Number Six—Praise

There Is Something That Is Stronger Than Any Army

Once upon a time Judah was invaded by Moab. King Jehoshaphat fasted and prayed. He got others to fast and pray. It didn't seem to do any good. The mighty army rushed onward, an army that had them outnumbered many times with men and swords.

God placed a key in the hands of Jehoshaphat which unlocked the gates of heaven, and brought help from above. Jehoshaphat used that key.

This King appointed singers unto the Lord as they went out to meet that vast multitude almost as the sands of the sea. He gave them orders to do one thing. That was to say, **“Praise the Lord!”**

That seemed a simple and a silly thing to do in the natural, but great fear came upon the enemy. They all helped to destroy each other. Everyone of them fell dead! It took God's people three days to gather the precious jewels and other riches. They had more riches than they could carry away.

The Moabites had fought for years to accumulate these riches. The people of God did not even have to fight in that battle. The battle was not theirs but the Lord's. They only praised the Lord and gained what it took the Moabites years to get by war. **“Praise the Lord”** won the battle and saved the nation (II Chronicles 20).

If we had more people to praise the Lord this nation could be saved.

THERE IS SOMETHING THAT IS STRONGER THAN UNBELIEF AND DISCOURAGEMENT.

Not long ago the Lord impressed me to go to a church for three nights. The first night there was so much unbelief and discouragement it was a battle to come against such an atmosphere. There seemed to be a wall between me and the congregation. I decided to obey God at any cost.

I began to go in circles saying, “Praise the Lord!”

The thought came to me that people might think that was vain repetition. But I remembered how Jesus commended His disciples as they praised Him over and over, saying “**Hosanna! ... Hosanna!**” (Matthew 21:9). The public rebuked them.

I thought of the much people in heaven who are praising the Lord over and over “**Alleluia! ...**” (Revelation 19:1-4). Was I better than they?

I thought of the four persons that are before the throne in heaven that cease not day and night saying, “**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty ...**” (Revelation 4:6-8). We are no better than they.

I thought how we will praise Jesus throughout eternity.

It is not vain repetition to praise God continually. For the disciples, including the mother of Jesus, were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God when they received the Holy Spirit Baptism, (Luke 24:53), (Acts 2:1-4).

So before I even preached I kept praising God. I noticed that people stared and wondered in amazement. Then one by one they felt the Spirit of God and joined with me praising God, until they were blessed.

In three nights the people said that more had received the Holy Spirit than there had been in three years before.

There Is Something That Is Stronger Than Prison

Paul exhorted the people to give thanks in everything, to rejoice evermore, to be content in any state they were in, and to praise the Lord at all times. But there came a time when he had a chance to practice what he preached.

Look at him and Silas in the bottom of that dirty, filthy, dark jail. With their backs bleeding and broken, with their feet and hands in the stocks, in the dark, damp, dreary jail. They could have put their heads down and whimpered and whined; but they didn't.

No, they had the key to that prison and they used it! In the inner prison at night they lifted their heads and PRAISED GOD. Prayer alone will not work many times. They knew there was power in praise.

Those Pentecostal preachers raised their palms toward paradise and prayed and PRAISED in the middle of that Philippian prison. The KEY OF PRAISE did not only unlock that prison for them, but it unlocked the Kingdom and turned in a whole family.

There is yet to be seen what power there is in praises!

There Is Something That Is Stronger Than Demons

Not long ago a lady was brought into our services who was about to take her own life. Her eyes reminded me of snake eyes, they were so glassy. Prayer alone failed to work. The "patience" of the people was worn threadbare, they had worked with her so long. There was an atmosphere of discouragement.

I had nothing to do but praise the Lord. After a few minutes someone joined in and helped me. Then another joined in and helped us until all of us were praising the Lord.

The atmosphere changed! After awhile the lady who was bound by an evil spirit was set free and joined in with us praising the Lord! Demons can't stay in such an atmosphere!

Scores were turned into the Kingdom that night; for the key of praise had unlocked the doors.

There Is Something That Is Stronger Than Disease

David had learned that praises would drive away disease.

He said, **"Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul... who healeth ALL thy diseases,"** (Psalm 103:1- 3). He said, **"Let all those that seek**

thee rejoice” (Psalm 70:4). **“Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart,”** (Psalm 37:4). He knew it worked.

One night in Stamford two blind men came into the healing line. One man had his head down toward the ground. He was telling what the doctor said, what his preacher said, what the neighbor said, and what the devil said.

He was saying, “Poor me. I don’t know why in the world I HAVE TO BE THIS WAY. I don’t know why I CAN’T GET HEALED. Why did GOD PUT THIS ON ME. Poor me.”

The other man came into the line with his head up, with his eyes wide open, expecting to see something. He was rejoicing because he believed God. He was telling what God said. **“I AM the Lord that healeth THEE”** (Exodus 15:26).

Which of these two men do you think was living in the atmosphere so God could heal him?

I never heard from the man who was grumbling and grunting. But the one who was happy because he believed God and was expecting to receive something, came back night after night telling what God had done for him. The next morning after he was prayed for he could see the telephone wires at the top of the poles at a distance. He climbed to the roof of a house and went to work!

God said, “Let your request be made known with thanksgiving, not with whimpering and whining, not with grunting and growling!

There Is Something That Has Power to Create

One time ten men came to Jesus to be healed of leprosy. The flesh was eaten off their bodies by the terrible disease. A nose was missing; also an ear. The bone was showing through a foot; also a hand! As they obeyed the Lord all were cleansed.

But one returned and fell down before the Master and poured out his heart in gratitude, praising God. Jesus told him that his faith had made him WHOLE. He had a whole hand, a whole nose, a whole eye; his whole body was complete. A miracle of creation had taken place;

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for he had unlocked the Kingdom with the KEY of praise and released the creative power of God!

What treasures lay at our finger tips if we use this key of praise!

Key Number Seven—Fasting

There Is One Lock That Only One Key Will Fit

One day, not long after the Apostles were called to preach, just after some of them had a glorious, mountaintop experience, a little, grief stricken man, who had gone to the end of his strength, brought a pitiful looking piece of human flesh in his hands, in the form of a boy. The boy's body was nearly grown; but his mind was yet the mind of a baby. He had heard that the disciples had power over evil spirits. He was bringing his boy to get him in the line for prayer.

This boy was one of those children who must be watched closely, and cared for like a baby all his life. No, if he were your child, you would not call him “crazy”; you would say “he is afflicted.” You would try every doctor, and carry him to hospitals the world over if you thought that would cure him.

Would to God that we had more fathers today who knew where to carry their children to be healed.

This child would scream out and pull his hair, and try to tear himself to pieces! He would fall, foam at the mouth, and bruise himself all over. He would gnash with his teeth like he was mad; then he acted like he was dead. He would jump into the fire and try to burn himself to death. Next he would jump into some water to drown himself. This boy had to live in total silence all his life, for he was deaf and mute. He couldn't understand why he had to be this way, different from all other people.

Jesus boldly made it known that a devil was in this boy's flesh, causing all this. He rebuked the devil. Again the boy tore his flesh and fell like he was dead, (Matthew 17, Mark 9, Luke 9). People today would say he was hypnotized. After the Pharisees gazed upon the scene a few minutes, Jesus presented the child to his father completely

well!

I appreciate the disciples who were concerned enough in suffering humanity to ask why they could not cast out the devil. God hasten the day that Christians again will have that much love and mercy.

Jesus answered, **“Howbeit this kind cometh not out but by prayer and fasting,”** (Matthew 17:21).

Where did Jesus get the only key that would fit the lock, the lock that had the devil fastened in that poor boy? It was given to Him while He was out in the wilderness for forty days, fasting and praying.

As soon as He returned from the long fast in the wilderness He said very boldly.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor ... to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind (Luke 4:18)

JESUS GAVE THIS KEY TO HIS DISCIPLES AND TO ALL BELIEVERS.

I always resented long fasts and did not appreciate people who went around the country, telling how long they had fasted.

I had never fasted over about three or four days at a time.

Not long after I had criticized someone, in my own mind, for going on a long fast the Lord spoke to me telling me to go on a long fast, showing me just the number of days that He wanted me to fast.

I shut myself up in a room and stayed until that certain number of days had past. I got someone to take care of the church which I was pastoring until I got over my fast.

I will admit that it wasn't too easy to go through with that fast. The devil tempted me; and instead of seeing visions of heaven, as I had expected, I saw visions of chicken and gravy.

But on the last day just about break of day, the Spirit of the Lord began to speak to me. I had read the Great Commission many times, and believed it was for all believers, but now it was different! The Spirit of God spoke it direct to me!

These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name

SHALL YE CAST OUT DEVILS; ... they shall take up serpents; if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. (Mark 16:17-18)

I got up to walk and found that my feet were burning like they were connected to a high voltage wire! The Holy Ghost and fire was running all through my whole body from my head to my toes.

For several years since then we have seen the signs follow. Devils have been cast out by the hundreds. Before that fast I would not have even known they were there.

The blind see, the deaf hear, the dumb speak. People are saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, hundreds in a single meeting!

I had the Holy Ghost for years. But it seemed that now I was not only filled, but baptized—with zeal, compassion—with the divine nature of Jesus, with virtue, with the fire!

The best way I can think to explain it is this: Go down to the funeral home and watch them drain the blood from a body and fill it with fluid. It seemed that all the strength had been drained out of me and the strength of Christ had taken it's place. I was dead and my life was hid with Christ in God. It wasn't me, but Christ that lived in me!

Then I remembered that our bodies are actually the temples in which the Lord should dwell. God one time dwelled in a temple which cost billions, made of gold, silver, and precious stones; but now He dwells in our ninety-eight-cent bodies. He takes up his abode and dwells, not only in our hearts, but in every cell of our body, (John 14:17).

What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost ...? (I Corinthians 6:19)

... for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I WILL DWELL IN THEM ... (II Corinthians 6:16).

THE DISCIPLES RECEIVED THIS KEY AT PENTECOST.

When they were saved the Holy Spirit came into their hearts. But after Pentecost they had the divine nature and virtue, (II Peter 1:4-5)

They continually praised God for ten straight days. Then they were

baptized with the Holy Ghost and **fire**, and IMMEDIATELY began to cast out devils! I don't think they ate anything during that ten days as they were **continually** in the temple, praising and blessing God.

Paul fasted three days just after he was converted. We don't know how long he fasted during the three years that he was in seclusion. But he actually had so much virtue in his body that when his apron touched someone the devils came out! (Acts 19:11-12). When he picked up a serpent it didn't hurt him, (Acts 28). He fasted often. He fasted just before he laid hands on workers to send them in the Lord's work. (Acts 13:3, 14:23).

Elijah fasted many days. He could stretch his body upon the body of a dead boy and life returned!

Moses fasted and his flesh shined with the divine nature. Many miracles were wrought through him.

Elisha's bones came in contact with a dead man and brought life.

Isaiah had fire in his tongue which cleansed his whole body. Jeremiah had fire shut up in his bones.

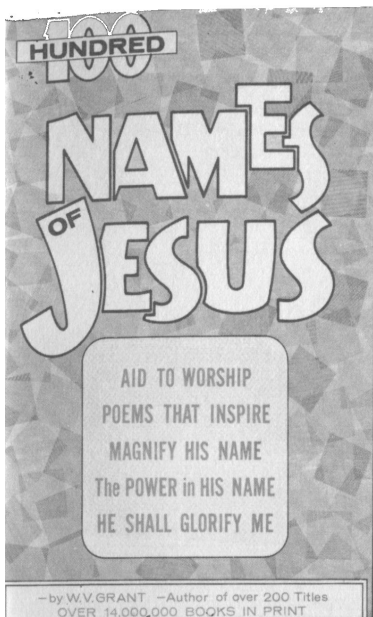
We see in the Bible that many people misunderstand the purpose in fasting. One great leader recently said he thought we fasted just because we are so busy in God's work that we don't take time to eat. Some fast for show, some do it as a ritual to use in ceremonies. Some do it for their health; Some say it makes them humble. Others fast in doing penance, to punish themselves for wrong doing. Some go on working as they abstain from food.

I think we shouldn't go on a long fast unless God has a purpose in our lives that requires fasting, and until He leads us, when and how long to fast. The real purpose is to empty out our strength and put the strength of God into our body in its place.

Behold in the day of your fast ye find pleasure and exact all your labours ... ye shall not fast as ye do this day, to make your voice to be heard on high. ... Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loose THE BANDS OF WICKEDNESS, TO UNDO THE HEAVY BURDENS, AND TO LET THE OPPRESSED GO FREE, AND THAT YE BREAK EVERY YOKE. (Isaiah 58:3-6)

Key Number Seven—Fasting

The only key to many prisons is fasting.



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